



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. BJ 2015 – 9

FLAGS AT HALF STAFF

WHEREAS, on Wednesday evening, June 17, 2015, nine people were killed in a senseless attack in Charleston, South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the attack occurred at the historic Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church during a weekly bible study; and

WHEREAS, churches around the world are places of refuge, comfort, and prayer; and

WHEREAS, that an attacker, reportedly welcomed into this place of refuge, would enter having already planned this horrible attack is unthinkable to a society founded upon the ideals of religious freedom; and

WHEREAS, the thoughts and prayers of all Louisianians are with the families of the victims of this horrible attack.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BOBBY JINDAL, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: As an expression of respect for the victims of the Charleston Church attack, effective immediately, the flags of the United States and the State of Louisiana shall continue to be flown at half-staff over the State Capitol and all public building and institutions of the State of Louisiana until sunset on Sunday, June 28, 2015.

SECTION 2: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until sunset, Sunday, June 28, 2015, unless amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded prior to that date.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 19th day of June, 2015.

/s/ Bobby Jindal
GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

**ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR**

/s/ Tom Schedler
SECRETARY OF STATE